

Appl. No. : 10/025,324
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REMARKS

The section of this paper entitled "Amendment to the Claims" is identical to the corresponding section in an Amendment and Response that was filed by Applicant on July 26, 2004 except that canceled Claims 1 through 15 have been grouped together in a single line. The non-conforming status identifier "Previously Canceled" has thus been removed.


The Examiner is respectfully directed to the Amendment and Response filed on July 26, 2004 in which Applicant has endeavored to address all of the Examiner's concerns as expressed in the Office Action. In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and, particularly, that all claims be allowed. If the Examiner finds any remaining impediment to the prompt allowance of these claims that could be clarified with a telephone conference, the Examiner is respectfully invited to call the undersigned.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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